LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on WEDESDAY, MAY 29, 2002, upon the application of PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA, INC.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, 17 Sand, Reservoir A and 21 Sand, Reservoir C, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, 17 Sand, Reservoir A and the 21 Sand, Reservoir C.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for these reservoirs and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created.
- 3. To designate a unit operator, a unit well and three alternate unit wells for the 15-A RA SUD.
- 4. To designate a unit operator, a unit well and eight alternate unit wells for the 17 RA SUC.
- 5. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the 21 RC SUA.
- 6. To provide that the operator of the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD, 17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC and the 21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA, can produce the unit allowable from the unit well, the alternate unit well(s) or any combination thereof.
- 7. To provide that any wells drilled within or outside of the proposed units shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 8. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the reservoirs by supplemental orders and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.
- 9. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 80-R, effective August 1, 1959 and is further defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8508' to 8598' (ELM) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - SL 195 QQ No. 207 Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East.

The 17 Sand, Reservoir A, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 80-T, effective August 1, 1959 and is further defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8724' to 8835' (ELM) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - SL 195 QQ No. 207 Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East.

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The 21 Sand, Reservoir C, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 10,176' and 10,440' (ELM) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - SL 195 QQ No. 208 Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana or may be found at the following site:

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

FELIX J. BOUDREAUX COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 4/18/02;4/23/02 L dpe

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION - ENGINEERING DIVISION ATP. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.